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<p>(54) Title: A METHOD OF AND A DEVICE FOR ACTIVELY REDUCING THE LEVEL OF A PRIMARY FIELD OF SOUND OR VIBRATION IN A SPACE</p> <p>(57) Abstract</p> <p>The invention concerns a method and a device for actively reducing the level of a primary field of sound or vibration in a space (2). Control sensors (7) sense a parameter related to said level. Actuators (6) produce a secondary field of sound or vibration interfering with said primary field. A first transfer function matrix defines for each control sensor the level of the parameter caused by the actuator excitation. Monitor sensors (16) sense said parameter related to the level of the primary field. A second transfer matrix defines for each monitor sensor (16) the level caused by actuator excitation. A control unit (10) controls the actuators (6) by the relation between the first transfer matrix and the second transfer matrix, the control sensors (7) and the monitor sensors (16), and a residual vector of the actual level of the control sensors.</p>			

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Claims

1. A method of actively reducing the level of a primary field of sound or vibrations in a space (2), comprising the
5 steps of:

providing a first number of actuators (6) in the space (2) to produce a secondary field of sound or vibration, which is adapted to interfere with the primary field;

10 providing a second number of control sensors (7) in the space (2) to sense a parameter related to the residual level of the primary field and the secondary field; and determining a first transfer matrix (c) defining for each control sensor (7) the level of the parameter caused by a certain level of excitation from each actuator (6),

15 characterized by

providing, during an initial, provisional period of time, a third number of monitor sensors (16) in the space (2) to sense the parameter related to the level of the primary field;

20 determining a second transfer matrix (g) defining for each monitor sensor (16) the level of the parameter caused by a certain level from each actuator (6); and

controlling the actuators (6) by means of a force vector (F) being a function (n) of the first transfer matrix (c), a first projection matrix (j) reflecting the relation between the first transfer matrix (c) and said second transfer matrix (g), a second projection matrix (k) reflecting the relations between the parameter sensed by the control sensors (7) and the parameter sensed by said monitor sensors (16), and a residual vector (b) of the actual level of the parameter at the control sensors (7).

2. A method according to claim 1, characterized by providing said monitor sensors (16) at respective positions (15) at which a significant reduction of the level of the primary field is desired.

3. A method according to claim 2, characterized by providing the control sensors (7) at locations removed from the positions (15) of said monitor sensors (16).

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4. A method according to any one of the preceding claims, characterized by producing said force vector (F) by the multiplication of the pseudo inverse of the first transfer matrix (e), said first projection matrix (j), the pseudo inverse of the said second projection matrix (o), and said residual vector (b).

5. A method according to any one of the preceding claims, characterized by reducing the number of control sensors (7) included in the first projection matrix (j) and the second projection matrix (o) to include only an optimal set of control sensors (7) for projecting each monitor sensor (16).

6. A method according any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the parameter comprises a pressure.

7. A method according to any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the parameter comprises a vibration.

25 8. A device for actively reducing the level of a primary field of sound or vibration in a space (2), comprising a first number of control sensors (7) provided in the space (2) to sense a parameter related to the residual level of the primary field and the secondary field; 30 a second number of actuators (6) provided in the space (2) to produce a secondary field of sound or vibrations, which is adapted to interfere with the primary field; a first determining means provided to determine a first transfer function matrix (c) defining for each control 35 sensor (7) the level of the parameter caused by a certain level of the excitation from each actuator (6),

characterized by

a third number of monitor sensors (16) arranged to be provided in said space (2) during an initial, provisional period of time to sense the parameter related to the level
5 of the primary field;

a second determining means provided to determine a second transfer matrix (g) defining for each monitor sensor (16) the level of the parameter caused by a certain level from each actuator (6); and

10 a control unit provided to control the actuators (6) by means of a force vector (F) being a function (n) of the first transfer matrix (c), a first projection matrix (j) reflecting the relation between the first transfer matrix (c) and said second transfer matrix (g), a second projection
15 matrix (k) reflecting the relations between the parameter sensed by the control sensors (7) and the parameter sensed by said monitor sensors (16), and a residual vector (b) of the actual level of the parameter at the control sensors (7).

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9. A device according to claim 8, characterized in that said monitor sensors (16) are provided to be arranged during a preparing period of time at respective positions (15) at which a significant reduction of the level of the primary
25 field is desired.

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10. A device according to claim 9, characterized in that the control sensors (7) are provided at positions removed from the positions (15) of said monitor sensors (16).

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11. A device according to any one claims 8 to 10, characterized in that said control unit (10, 12) is arranged to produce said force vector (F) by the multiplication of the pseudo inverse of the first transfer matrix (e), said first projection matrix (j), the pseudo inverse of the said second projection matrix (o), and said residual vector (b).

12. A device according to any one of claims 8 to 11,
characterized in that said control unit (10, 12) is arranged
to reduce the number of control sensors (7) included in the
5 first projection matrix (j) and the second projection matrix
(o) to include only an optimal set of control sensors (7)
for projecting each monitor sensor (16).

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International application No. PCT/SE99/02218	International filing date (day/month/year) 29/11/1999	(Earliest) Priority date (day/month/year) 14/12/1998
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Box No. VI PRIORITY CLAIM Further priority claims are indicated in the Supplemental Box.

Filing date of earlier application (day/month/year)	Number of earlier application	Where earlier application is:		
		national application: country	regional application: [*] regional Office	international application: receiving Office
item (1) 14/12/1998	9804311-0	Sweden		
item (2)				
item (3)				

The receiving Office is requested to prepare and transmit to the International Bureau a certified copy of the earlier application(s) (only if the earlier application was filed with the Office which for the purposes of the present international application is the receiving Office) identified above as item(s): (1)

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Box No. VII INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

Choice of International Searching Authority (ISA)
(if two or more International Searching Authorities are competent to carry out the international search, indicate the Authority chosen; the two-letter code may be used):

ISA / SE

Request to use results of earlier search; reference to that search (if an earlier search has been carried out by or requested from the International Searching Authority):

Date (day/month/year) Number Country (or regional Office)

24/09/1999 SE98/01417 Sweden

Box No. VIII CHECK LIST: LANGUAGE OF FILING

This international application contains the following number of sheets:

request : 4
description (excluding sequence listing part) : 11
claims : 4
abstract : 1
drawings : 1
sequence listing part of description : _____

Total number of sheets : 21

This international application is accompanied by the item(s) marked below:

1. fee calculation sheet
2. separate signed power of attorney
3. copy of general power of attorney; reference number, if any:
4. statement explaining lack of signature
5. priority document(s) identified in Box No. VI as item(s):
6. translation of international application into (language):
7. separate indications concerning deposited microorganism or other biological material
8. nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing in computer readable form
9. other (specify): ITS-report

Figure of the drawings which should accompany the abstract: Fig 1

Language of filing of the international application: English

Box No. IX SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT OR AGENT

Next to each signature, indicate the name of the person signing and the capacity in which the person signs (if such capacity is not obvious from reading the request).

Stockholm, 24 November 1999

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CALCULATION OF PRESCRIBED FEES

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2. SEARCH FEE 8 510:- S

International search to be carried out by _____

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Basic Fee

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Designation Fees

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ATENT COOPERATION TREATY
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REC'D 09 APR 2001

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(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

Applicant's or agent's file reference PCT 51230 sb/cg	FOR FURTHER ACTION	See Notification of Transmittal of International Preliminary Examination Report (Form PCT/IPEA/416)	
International application No. PCT/SE99/02218	International filing date (day/month/year) 29.11.1999	Priority date (day/month/year) 14.12.1998	
International Patent Classification (IPC) or national classification and IPC7 G10K 11/178			
Applicant Saab Aktiebolag et al			

1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.

2. This REPORT consists of a total of 5 sheets, including this cover sheet.

This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e., sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).

These annexes consist of a total of 4 sheets.

3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

- I Basis of the report
- II Priority
- III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- IV Lack of unity of invention
- V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- VI Certain documents cited
- VII Certain defects in the international application
- VIII Certain observations on the international application

Date of submission of the demand 05.06.2000	Date of completion of this report 28.03.2001	
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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

International application No.

PCT/SE99/02218

I. Basis of the report

1. With regard to the elements of the international application:*

 the international application as originally filed the description:pages 1-11, as originally filed

pages _____, filed with the demand

pages _____, filed with the letter of _____

 the claims:

pages _____, as originally filed

pages _____, as amended (together with any statement) under article 19

pages _____, filed with the demand

pages _____, filed with the letter of 20.02.2001 the drawings:pages 1, as originally filed

pages _____, filed with the demand

pages _____, filed with the letter of _____

 the sequence listing part of the description:

pages _____, as originally filed

pages _____, filed with the demand

pages _____, filed with the letter of _____

2. With regard to the language, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the language in which the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
These elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language _____ which is: the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rule 23.1(b)). the language of publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)). the language of the translation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination (under Rules 55.2 and/or 55.3).

3. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, the international preliminary examination was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:

 contained in the international application in written form. filed together with the international application in computer readable form. furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form. furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form. The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished. The statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing has been furnished.4. The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of: the description, pages _____ the claims, Nos. _____ the drawings, sheet/fig _____5. This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2.(c)).**

* Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are annexed to this report since they do not contain amendments (Rules 70.16 and 70.17).

** Any replacement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report.

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V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	<u>1-12</u>	YES
	Claims	_____	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	<u>1-12</u>	YES
	Claims	_____	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	<u>1-12</u>	YES
	Claims	_____	NO

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Cited documents:

D1) EP 0568282 A2 (WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORPORATION)
 D2) WO 9806089 A1 (LORD CORPORATION)
 D3) US 5245552 A (A. O. ANDERSSON ET AL)
 D4) US 5426703 A (T. HAMABE ET AL)

Explanation:

The invention refers to a method and a device for actively reducing the level of a primary field of sound or vibration in a space. Said method and device comprise control sensors which sense a parameter related to said level. A first number of actuators produce a secondary field of sound or vibration that interferes with said primary field. A first transfer function matrix defines for each control sensor the level of the parameter caused by the actuator excitation. Monitor sensors sense said parameter related to the level of the primary field. A second transfer matrix defines for each monitor sensor the level caused by actuator excitation. A control unit controls the actuators by the relation between the first transfer matrix and the second transfer matrix, the control sensors and the monitor sensors, and a residual vector of the actual level of the control sensors.

It is previously known in the art to reduce a level of a primary field of noise in a space by means of actuators providing a secondary field of sound that interferes with the primary field. According to said prior art, a set of control sensors is provided in the space at the locations where maximum reduction of noise level is desired. A control unit provides such a force at each actuator that the sound level at the control sensors is reduced to a minimum level.

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Supplemental Box
(To be used when the space in any of the preceding boxes is not sufficient)

Continuation of: V.

However, the noise level may be significant at positions at a distance from the control sensors. Thus, at certain locations the secondary field may interfere in such a way that the total level of the combined fields is higher than the level of the primary field alone. Consequently, it is necessary to position the control sensors immediately adjacent to the locations where maximum reduction of noise level is desired, which is not always possible.

The object of the present invention is to provide an arrangement that can reduce noise and/or vibration levels at an arbitrary position in a space. Said object is obtained by providing, during an initial, provisional period of time, a third number of monitor sensors in the space to sense the parameter related to the level of the primary field, determining a second transfer matrix defining for each monitor sensor the level of the parameter caused by a certain level from each actuator, and controlling the actuators by means of a force vector being a function of the first transfer matrix, a first projection matrix reflecting the relation between the first transfer matrix and said second transfer matrix, a second projection matrix reflecting the relations between the parameter sensed by the control sensors and the parameter sensed by said monitor sensors, and a residual vector of the actual level of the parameter at the control sensors.

By such a method, it is possible to provide an arbitrary number of actuators, control sensors and monitor sensors, and thereby take into account the complexity of the fields in such a manner that a significant reduction of the noise or vibration level is obtained in the space at the location of the monitor sensors. The location may be in a position where it is not practically possible to provide control sensors, e.g., at the location of a passenger in an aircraft cabin. According to the invention, the control sensors are projected to the monitor sensors.

The method and the device according to the invention involve novelty and progress with respect to prior art as indicated from D1-D4. Furthermore, as said method and device are not obvious or close at hand to a person ordinarily skilled in the art, they involve inventive step. Their industrial applicability is obvious.

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VIII. Certain observations on the international application

The following observations on the clarity of the claims, description, and drawings or on the question whether the claims are fully supported by the description, are made:

Claims 4, 5, 6 and 11 are not drafted in accordance with PCT Rule 6.4(a), 3rd sentence.

The word "removed" on line 12, p. 2 in the description should preferably be replaced by the phrase "at a distance".